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SUBJECT: ERP SETS FORTH A PROGRAM FOR THE LABOR MOVEMENT

1. SUMMARY. THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-RED FACTION (ERP RED) AND THE WORKERS' REVOLUTIONARY PARTY-RED FACTION (PRT RED) ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT RECENTLY WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN AT LEAST ONE LOCAL NEWSPAPER WHICH SET FORTH THEIR REACTION TO RECENT POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS AND OUTLINED A PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR THE LABOR MOVEMENT. END SUMMARY. NO ACTION REQUIRED

2. STARTING WITH THE USUAL DENUNCIATIONS OF BOURGEOIS POLITICIANS, LABOR BUREAUCRATS, IMPERIALISM AND A QUOTE FROM CHE GUEVARA, THE COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT THE FIGHTING SECTORS OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT HAD BECOME THE TARGET OF REACTIONARY ELEMENTS. IT LISTED THE RESIGNATION OF CAMPORA, THE RECENT INCIDENTS IN CHILE AND URUGUAY AND THE SITUATION IN CORDOBA AS EVIDENCE OF THE OFFENSIVE BY THE COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY FORCES. IT DECLARED THAT THE TWO GROUPS RESPECTED THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE OF PERON, BUT FELT THAT OVER TIME THE WORKERS AND THE NATION WOULD COME TO RECOGNIZE THE CORRECTNESS OF THEIR POSITION THAT A REAL REVOLUTION IS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THEIR GOALS.

3. THE PROGRAM OF ACTION FOR THE LABOR MOVEMENT CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

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A) AGAINST THE RISING COST OF LIVING

1. AN EMERGENCY WAGE INCREASE OF 60,000 PESOS
2. A MINIMUM WAGE OF 180,000 PESOS
3. A MOBILE WAGE SCALE CONTROLLED BY THE WORKERS
4. POPULAR CONTROL OF PRICES, THROUGH COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

B) AGAINST UNEMPLOYMENT AND THE CLOSING OF ENTERPRISES

1. OPENING OF COMPANY ACCOUNT BOOKS
2. THE RIGHT TO VETO DISMISSALS
3. A MOBILE SCALE OF WORKING HOURS
4. WORKERS CONTROL OF PRODUCTION

C) AGAINST IMPERIALIST DOMINATION AND CAPITALIST ANARCHY

1. STATE OWNERSHIP WITH WORKERS CONTROL OF LARGE FOREIGN AND NATIONAL ENTERPRISES, WITHOUT INDEMNITIES OR COMPENSATIONS
2. DETERMINATION OF RULES AND RATES OF WORK BY THE WORKERS THEMSELVES
3. ELIMINATION OF UNPRODUCTIVE GUARD PERSONNEL
4. WORKERS CONTROL OVER SECURITY AND WORKING CONDITIONS, AND WORKERS CONTROL OVER PRODUCTION

D) AGAINST REPRESSION AND INTIMIDATION OF THE WORKING CLASS AND THE PEOPLE

1. IMMEDIATE REINSTATEMENT OF WORKERS FIRED FOR POLITICAL OR LABOR CAUSES
2. PEOPLE'S TRIAL FOR THE TRELEW EXECUTERS AND ALL TORMENTORS AND MURDERERS OF THE MILITARY DICTATORSHIP
3. SELF-DEFENSE OF THE LABOR AND POPULAR STRUGGLES
4. DISMANTLING OF THE REPRESSIVE FORCES
5. CONFRONTATION WITH ALL REACTIONARY FORCES, FASCIST GANGS AND BOURGEOIS INTIMIDATORS

4. COMMENT. ERP RED IS BELIEVED TO HAVE ROUGHLY 150 MEMBERS AND REPRESENT LESS THAN A QUARTER OF THE COMBINED TOTAL OF THE THREE ERP FACTIONS. IT IS SUPPOSEDLY MADE UP OF EXPELLED MEMBERS FROM THE MAIN ERP ORGANIZATION AND OPERATES CHIEFLY IN SOUTHERN BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW DETAILED PROGRAMS ISSUED THUS FAR BY THE ERP, OR AT LEAST THIS FACTION OF THE ERP.

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